

SUSTAINABLE FINANCE COUNTRY PROFILE



SOUTH AFRICA

QUICK FACTS¹

294.8 billion US\$ GDP (2016)

55.9 million Population (2016)

0.3% GDP growth (2016)

5,274 US\$ GDP per capita (2016)

FINANCIAL MARKETS

- **303** Domestic listed companies (2016)²
- **951.3 billion US\$** Market capitalisation of domestic listed companies (2016)²
- The value of stocks traded represented **0.7%** of GDP in 2015.²
- Sustainability-related indices are **provided** on the country's stock exchange.³
- National sustainability reporting policies are **in place**.⁴
- **1.3 billion US\$** Green bonds issuance (as of September 2017)⁶

SUSTAINABLE FINANCE DRIVERS

- **1.2% of GDP** Infrastructure investment gap (2016-2030)⁵
- Climate vulnerability **Moderate**⁷
- Carbon vulnerability **High**⁷

FINANCIAL INCLUSION²

- **10.5** Bank branches per 100,000 adults (2015)
- **68.8%** Share of adults with a bank account (2014)

WORK WITH THE INQUIRY

- The Inquiry, teaming with the Global Green Growth Institute, undertook a study on the impact of financial governance policy innovations that have aimed to encourage the integration of environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors into investment decisions.

MEMBERSHIP IN SUSTAINABLE FINANCE INITIATIVES



7
members



2
members



52
signatories



Member

POLICIES AND MEASURES⁸

- 2010: King Code III
- 2011: Code for Responsible Investing in South Africa (CRISA)
Regulation 28 under Section 36 of the Pension Act of 1956
- 2012: Financial Sector Code
- 2014: Green Bond Listing Requirements
Principles for managing Environmental and Social Risk
- 2017: South Africa Roadmap

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